

**HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]**

**Amended Notice of Intended Action**

**Providing for a public hearing on rule making related to mental health and disability services regions**

The Notice of Intended Action published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on August 15, 2018, as **ARC 3942C** proposes to amend Chapter 25, “Disability Services Management,” Iowa Administrative Code. In order to receive oral comments concerning **ARC 3942C**, the Human Services Department hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held as follows:

November 14, 2018  
2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Polk County River Place  
Rooms 1 and 1A  
2309 Euclid Avenue  
Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rule making.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department and advise of specific needs.

*Legal Authority for Rule Making*

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 225C.6 and 2018 Iowa Acts, House File 2456.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 225C.6 and 2018 Iowa Acts, House File 2456.

*Purpose and Summary*

The Department received requests from multiple respondents representing persons or entities of more than 25 persons during the public comment period requesting a public hearing. This Amended Notice of Intended Action provides a public hearing to receive oral and written comment on the originally submitted Notice, the details of which are described below.

The amendments proposed in **ARC 3942C** implement 2018 Iowa Acts, House File 2456, which requires the Mental Health and Disability Services regions to initiate new core services, expand the core services the regions currently provide, meet new access standards for these services, and include the service changes in their service, budget planning, and reporting by a specified date. The regions must also collaborate to ensure that core services are available in minimum numbers strategically located throughout the state.

The amendments also establish new and revised service standards for providers of comprehensive crisis services, subacute mental health services, and intensive mental health services.

Finally, the amendments provide a broader and more accessible statewide array of crisis and intensive mental health services to individuals with serious mental illness and other individuals experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis.

*Fiscal Impact, Jobs Impact, Waivers*

Statements related to the fiscal impact, jobs impact, and waiver of this rule making may be found in the preamble of **ARC 3942C**.

*Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).